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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby submits for filing in the above-identified application:

- (X) An Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 citing eight (8) references which are not enclosed.
- (X) A return prepaid postcard.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Applicants enclose a form PTO-1449 listing eight references. Copies of disclosed U.S. patents and/or publications are not included pursuant to PTO waiver of the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) for applications filed after June 30, 2003.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits, and presumably no fee is required in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). If a first Office Action on the merits was mailed before the mailing date of this Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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